

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Krayton Kerns, on January 11, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472  
Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Krayton Kerns, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bob Wagner, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)  
Rep. Christy Clark (R)  
Rep. Lila Walter Evans (R)  
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)  
Rep. Alan Hale (R)  
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)  
Rep. David Howard (R)  
Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)  
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)  
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)  
Rep. Lee Randall (R)  
Rep. Joe Read (R)  
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)  
Rep. Sterling Small (R)  
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** Rep. Frank Smith (D)  
Rep. Jonathan McNiven (R)

**Staff Present:** Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch  
Lauren Head, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 54, 1/4/2011

**HEARING ON HB 54**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:21 Rep. Gordon Vance (R), HD 67, opened the hearing on HB 54, Define order & program for certain Department of Livestock functions.

00:02:27 Rep. McNiven joined the meeting

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:07:08 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau

00:10:09 Errol Rice, Montana Stockgrowers

**Opponents' Testimony:**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:11:13 Christian McKay, Montana Board of Livestock

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:12:27 Rep. Furey

00:12:50 Rep. Vance

00:13:26 Rep. Hoven

00:13:56 Mr. McKay

00:15:05 Rep. McNiven

00:15:36 Mr. McKay

00:15:48 Rep. McNiven

00:16:31 Mr. McKay

00:17:26 Rep. Clark

00:17:48 Mr. McKay

00:18:13 Rep. McNiven left the meeting.

00:20:31 Chairman Kerns

00:20:43 Mr. McKay

00:20:47 Chairman Kerns

00:20:52 Mr. McKay

00:21:15 Chairman Kerns

00:21:19 Mr. McKay

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:21:31 Rep. Vance

**ADJOURNMENT**

00:21:58      Adjournment

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Lauren Head, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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